RAILWAYS AND STEAMBOATS.

Willamette River Route.

STEAMER A. A. McGULLY,
Salmon street dock, and all way landings, Sundays excepted. Leaves Portland at 7 A. M. and Salem at 7 A. M. daily, except Sundays, at foot of Alder street.

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The STEAMER TRAVELLER will leave Morrison-street dock for Lafamas, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 7 A. M. Leaves Lafamas Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 A. M. Will call at Vancouver both ways. For freight or passage apply on board.

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STEAMERS LURLINE or VANCOUVER
Jos. T. Gray, leave Portland at 5 P. M. daily, except Sundays. Leave Vancouver at 5 A. M. daily except Sundays. Freight received between 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

People's Line to Oregon City.

STEAMER T. J. POTTER
Leaves Portland at 5 P. M. daily, except Sundays. Leaves Oregon City at 7 A. M. daily, except Sundays. Freight received between 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

For Astoria---Fast Time.

STR. TELEPHONE
Leaves MORRISON-ST. WHARF TUESDAY & THURSDAY at 5 P. M. Returning, leaves Astoria WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY at 5 P. M. Connects at Kalama with N. P. R. R. for Tacoma, Seattle, etc. Connects at Portland with O. & C. and Wasco Warehouse Co.'s Oregon City boats, and Steamer T. J. POTTER. For freight or passage apply to
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AN IDEA[illegible]

In his last annual [illegible] said:

In reducing the [illegible] amount of revenue derived from those articles which [illegible] life. The duty on [illegible] was no doubt [illegible] the payment of the [illegible] the release of which [illegible] so generally and so [illegible] added all kinds of [illegible] and beneficence unite in favor of removing the poor of our cities from [illegible] as far as possible necessary to the support of our government and tend only to increase the wants of the destitute.

This is the philanthropic philosophy of an ideal, impracticable tariff. Representative Hewitt, who has all his life been engaged in the iron business, says that the iron manufacturer of America needs no protection, so far as a duty on iron ore is concerned. Mr. Hewitt believes the raw materials that are essential to the feeding of our national industries should be placed on the free list. He believes that salt, sugar, lumber, iron, coal, and the raw materials that enter into clothing should be taxed as little as possible and plausibly argues that the farmer and all other workers in the last analysis pays the accumulated tax on all articles that stand for the primitive necessities of the greatest number of people; the things that stand for food, clothing, fuel and shelter. Mr. Hewitt plausibly said further that he did not want tin plate taxed to death, because it is really the raw material of the manufacture of tinware. Tinware, he said employs a vast number of persons and an enormous capital; why then should tin plate, which employs a comparatively small capital and few persons be heavily protected? The philosophical revenue reformer of the Hewitt type argues that it would not restore the prosperity of the wool or woolen interests of the country to readjust the duties on wool and woolens. The argument is that no tariff was ever yet devised that can beat nature's laws; that the situation of business is frequently controlled by the operation of great natural laws of trade which no tariff can control or readjust. No tariff argues the revenue reformer, will ever restore to Ohio the wool business wrested from her by Texas and California; no tariff can restore Vermont to her old industrial situation which has been changed by the encroachment of the West. No tariff did this; no tariff can undo it. The violent fluctuations in the price of sheep under the old wool tariff of 1867 show clearly that the sheep breeding interests of New England are not dependent upon the tariff; any more than the dairy interests of New England it makes no difference to Vermont whether Ohio grows part of the wool of the nation or California and Texas grows all of it, and yet the sheep breeders of Vermont shrink over the wool tariff they follow the old advice given us as to how to behave at fires, viz: at all times and under all circumstances, "Mind your business." Thus far we have, we believe, fairly stated the position of the conservative revenue reformers of both parties. Their views are plausible in the extreme philanthropic, and yet it is almost absolutely certain as anything can be in this life that no party can prevail in this country on the platform of these revenue reformers. The public with the whole business is that the tariff is just what Hancock defined it to be, largely a local question, meaning by that every state and section of the country has some particular interest to protect. The fact divides the people of both parties on the tariff question. Industrial wants to protect sugar. Oh, yes, Vermont, Oregon, wool. Pennsylvania, coal and iron. Michigan and Wisconsin, lumber, New York, salt and so on. The strain of these and organized influence of these great industries is too strong to be resisted and the inevitable result is a compromise on which will always disappoint Mr. Hewitt, and dissipate his beautiful dream of a philanthropic tariff under which the private popular necessaries of life will be placed on the free list. The enthusiasm of the opposition to Mr. Hewitt is kindred to the enthusiasm that even the South feels for "the old flag" whenever it carries with it or implies an appropriation. A protective tariff means to many persons in many states and sections a dividend or local appropriation and as long as this is so the tariff lobby at Washington will be too powerful for the philosophical and philanthropic revenue reformer and political economist. Philanthropy to the mass of mankind is not business, any more than "dolisters are offdavits. The following resolution was passed two years ago by a republican state convention at the East:

Resolved, That we appreciate that a system of protection which has developed our national industries, increased the wages of labor and diminished the cost of living to consumers and in particular a desire to have restored the duties on wool as it was on woolens as shall restore the prosperity of these important interests.

This resolution includes an important and decisive admission that the difference between wages in Europe and America is due to the antagonism of free trade and protection. The argument is as follows: England is free trade; the United States is protection. Wages are higher in America than in Europe; the laboring classes are at least as well off as in our own. The demagogue protectionist argues that the higher wages and larger comforts of the American laborer are due to the higher tariff we have maintained since 1861. But how is it to reconcile the difference between the cost of living in the two countries? Let us take for example the single article of [illegible] meat. In the United States [illegible] squarely [illegible] that twenty [illegible] fifty [illegible] over a million [illegible] keep [illegible] first [illegible] cost [illegible] down [illegible] the [illegible] make [illegible] the [illegible] 600 [illegible] 1,000 [illegible] 10,000 [illegible] 100,000 [illegible] 500,000 [illegible] 1,000,000 [illegible] 5,000,000 [illegible] 10,000,000 [illegible] 50,000,000 [illegible] 100,000,000 [illegible] 500,000,000 [illegible] 1,000,000,000 [illegible] 5,000,000,000 [illegible] 10,000,000,000 [illegible] 50,000,000,000 [illegible] 100,000,000,000 [illegible] 500,000,000,000 [illegible] 1,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 5,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 10,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 50,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 100,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 500,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 1,000,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 5,000,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 10,000,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 50,000,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 100,000,000,000,000,000 [illegible] 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IMMIGRATION.

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lessen the disappointment of those who have come here enthusiastic under these misstatements and false impressions. To so educate the intending immigrant that it will be impossible for any one to take undue advantage of him, either here or there has been one of the objects of the commissioners in the publication of this literature. Especially have the commissioners been at a considerable care to make the status of government lands in Oregon so plain that there need be no mistake or misapprehension about that feature. They have also thought it wisdom to discourage the immigration into this state of any more professional men, such as lawyers doctors surveyors bookkeepers and those of kindred avocations or of mechanics unless they have means with which to make opportunities by embarking in business for themselves. The immigration of laboring men is very pointedly discouraged. Hundreds of mechanics write to say that they have a fairly good place, but think of changing to Oregon. Invariably such people are told that it is wise to hold on to that they now have. Farmers people looking for locations in the agricultural districts and those seeking for investments of money are handled as if possible and encouragement of these manifested. Of these there has been printed and distributed during the year. Additional the board has printed 120 000 four-page and eight-page leaflets or folders, matter which is designed for the purpose of advising the salient features and such information as would lead the immigrant to seek the board in person or by letter for additional information. Chiefly these letters have been handed for distribution among new comers en route to this city or through railroad agencies east of the Rocky mountains.

During the year the board has received upwards of 15 000 descriptive pamphlets and circulars of different counties of the state 4000 annual Oregonians 500 copies of the Acts 200 copies of the Portland 60 copies of the Rural 8 000 copies of a Willamette valley circular printed in German and 1000 maps of the state which together with the farm lists on hand at the organization of the state board, aggregate 19 000 pieces of printed matter.

The plans to be adopted for the judicious and effective distribution of this immigration literature to be worked up by such evidences as presented themselves to the commissioners as the work progressed. The railway managers having lines reaching west have co-operated very fully with the board in this important work, doing the state gratuitously a most valuable service. A large amount of printed matter has come into the hands of railway and local agents through which the distribution readily effected. In this way the board has been able to correspond indirectly with immigration railways and steamship people who are in more immediate contact with the intending immigrant than the commissioners can be. All persons mailing books or circulars are requested to place the name and postoffice address of the party to whom every newcomer is presented. Since the new and possible additions to the state interested in Oregon. In this way about 11 000 names have been obtained, and to each addressing some sort of printed information has been promptly forwarded. These names are also used as a medium for the dissemination of information about fine stock and in the case of cases which might be mentioned presently. The mailing number of publication of such as are in all respects desirable. All this is supplementary to—but only the most important of—the correspondence of the board which has for many years received its full share of attention. Many letters which would be mailed at the state county federal and municipal offices and citizens generally who send them to the board and request it make proper reply.

In speaking of the dissemination of information the exhibit car must be especially noticed. At a expense of about $5 000 which was included in the appropriation of $50 000 for the state board, a car was fitted up for the purpose of showing by actual specimens the products of the state. The car was exhibited in tens of thousands of people gathered at state and county fairs in the States referred to. Here, and judging by the great number of people who have either visited it after their arrival here as having influenced them in making up their minds to come to Oregon or have written to the same intent the car was an eminently practical agency for the work of the board. The journey of the grain car was an ovation from the start to the finish. In many ways as such an agency that the commissioners deem it the part of wisdom to repeat the effort during the current season.

The plan of meeting incoming immigrants before they reach this city inaugurated with the state board has been continued during the year. An agent of the board goes daily to Portland some twenty miles from the city and there boards the incoming passenger train and begins his work among the immigrants. He is well supplied with printed matter which he distributes later which did some general information. This feature has proved very effective as is attested by the hundreds and thousands who come to the rooms and who express their appreciation of service rendered in distributing of the printed matter of the board is also attested on each incoming steamship from California and with like effect.

Once here the immigrant is made welcome, shown every possible courtesy given all the aid and information available and his settlement looked after. While a good many come without any knowledge of the state and no definite plan of future move months the majority come either with a very correct idea of Oregon and plan in the places in mind or in answer to appeals of those already here and with whom they have been in close correspondence. This correspondence is of the intending immigrant has been kept well posted in the actual condition of things has an assurance of work on a farm and can fairly judge by the start he can afford. Of that he will be benefited by the change. This correspondence has given a great impetus to manufacturing during the past half year as there is ample evidence to show. These people are easily taken care of as directed to the point and a little general information being all required. Those who have come without friends or purpose except as a general location have gone and go here and there for construction look at this or that farm before returns at the end of a few weeks. In the days and finally under the kindly auspices of the board find a location. The late excursion down and stay at the general exposition in Portland at the rooms of the board and secure the information desired. Of the states and sections represented by the immigrants during the year Illinois has furnished the largest number, then Iowa, then Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Dakota, Kentucky, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Colorado, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, California, Arizona, New Mexico, Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Canada, Mexico, Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, Sandwich Islands, China, Japan, Mexico, Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, Sandwich Islands, China, Japan.

The following is a summarized statement from the register of visitors, immigrants, etc.:

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